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## The Daily Press.

HO-GONG, DECEMBER 23RD, 1907.

It has been so constantly drummed in that Hankow is the coming model settlement of China that we cannot afford to ignore any of its entrances upon the stage of publicity. Lately, it would seem by the columns of the *Hankow Daily News*, it has been demanding public interest in its municipal management; that is to say, for the municipal affairs of the British concession at Hankow. One very able correspondent criticises the rental assessment, as the basis of the amount of house tax each ratepayer is called up to pay. It appears to have been raised lately, but the criticism referred to appears to be somewhat more coherent than the inevitable grumble following such incident. Demanding as bare justice a generally equitable ratio, the critic calls attention to the unfairness evident when comparing rating on values and on rentals. Instances are given which would not be informative if reproduced here, and it may be sufficient if the gist of the complaint be deduced from the following quotation:

Broadly speaking the rule appears to be that if it is a fine building on the hill, or other leading thoroughfare, belonging to some wealthy firm or corporation then it shall be assessed at a mere fraction of what the resident to a rented house in a back street has to pay proportionately. Since more money is wanted the best method

would be to obtain it from those who can best spare it. Let the houses and godowns be assessed at the same rate proportionate to value as the smaller houses and the revenue problem would be immediately solved, while an act of simple justice would be done which has been too long delayed. But the members of the council live in houses.

What looks very like an inspired argument appears in our *Hankow Contemporary* on this point. It goes over, patiently and thoroughly, the wellknown theories or processes of assessing real values. Prime cost is easily shown to be no fair criterion, but the argument that rental value is an absolutely true index fails, as might be expected.

We cannot accept prime cost as any index of real value, but contend that rental value is an index, as it includes all element of value and this we would demonstrate by the following illustrations. Suppose, for the sake of argument, that by some early rights one had been permitted to erect in a convenient position on the bank small hut or shed which would be of extreme value to some shipping or other firm. The original cost of that hut might be 10 taels and for it one would perhaps receive 100 taels a month. On the other hand one might build a house at the back of the concession which would cost 2,000 taels and yet only receive 100 taels a month. Taking the taxation at 10 per cent, it would be obviously based on false principles; for one man to pay one tenth of what the other man paid when their rental value was the same would be absurd. Take another case: suppose a man with very luxurious and extravagant ideas were to build a house of marble and other costly materials at a cost of 10,000 taels, and he died insolvent, and the house was sold for 10,000 taels, it would be obviously unfair to tax the new occupant of the original cost. The practice of selling property on the basis of 10, or 20 years purchase of the rental value with modifications governed by the condition of repair is another demonstration of the principle.

In the case of railway stations, for instance, where there can be no gauge of rental, one method is seen to be as useless as the other, though their initial cost is taken into account. Always, however, the community has to fall back upon the business acumen and public spirit and integrity of its assessors; and Hankow, like every other place in the ratepaying world, must trust these important officials, and make due allowance for the difficulty of their duty. It is not for us or anyone else to criticise in such matter.

There is another point raised by our contemporary's correspondent with which, as residents in a Colony that has profited greatly by encouraging the settlement of Chinese amongst us, we are more in sympathy. It appears that the British Municipal Council of Hankow discourages Chinese settlers.

When the extension was obtained it was understood that this would be done. Under article XXI of the Land Regulations it is provided that: "The Municipal Council is empowered to issue, subject to the approval of H. B. M.'s Consul-General in each case, permits to build houses and shops for Chinese occupation upon the lots West of the Poyang road. At the outset the Council of the day took advantage of this opportunity, and Chinese shops and houses are to be found at each end of the Poyang road in consequence. But the present Council refuses to grant such permits and thereby inflicts a serious injury on several sections of the community. First, on those who bought land on the extension, and had it raised at great expenses, on the faith that it could be utilized for this purpose. They sunk their capital in what was originally a series of water holes, and there it promises to remain indefinitely as long as this attitude of the Council is maintained. It may, or may not, be a wise policy to keep this land vacant for the benefit of the British merchant of the good time coming which never seems to arrive. It is fair, however, that this should be done at the expense of the deluded investor in back concession lots. I think not. A similar injury is inflicted on every ratepayer by the Council's policy. It is evident that if money is taken from the ratepayer which the Council could readily obtain from other sources, the ratepayer is to that extent the loser. Now, were more of the extension occupied with Chinese houses the revenue would be vastly increased. For example: on the Taiping Road there are two adjacent lots Nos. 80 and 90, occupied by Chinese. Their united area amount to no more than that of one lot on the old concession, and yet they yield a house tax revenue equal to that derived from all the houses and godowns on half the bunch. . . . The Chinese exclusion policy is further detrimental to the trade of the place. The common saying has it that the trade follows the flag; that is, it follows the people who carry the flag. At present the people are going down to German town, but when the British extension opens its superior advantages would lead them to congregate there. Supposing then that it could be filled with the better class of Chinese shops, houses and warehouses—and it is only the large establishments and the well to do who could afford to come—the volume of trade carried on from the British concession would be vastly increased. The import duty, another item of revenue, would also rapidly expand. The outcry against the presence of Chinese in foreign settlements is, from the business point of view, an exceedingly foolish one. Each party benefits from the presence of the other. The Chinese prosper on account of the foreign protection, and the foreigners thrive on the business they bring.

The position could not be better expressed, if argument or argument were multiplied. The Council, evidently sufficiently cautious already, could encourage rapid extension without permitting contested areas to occur as they occurred in Hongkong. We need not waste sympathy on the speculators who reckoned on a line of policy that has not been followed, but on public grounds, the enhancement of needed revenue, the cultivation of trade, and the keeping in the van of what should be the

premier settlement, it seems to us that the Municipal Councillors might do worse than reconsider their attitude toward this question. Our contemporary does not deal with this part of the criticism, so far as

we have observed; but if the Municipal Council has further arguments we have overlooked, so also have they who believe in encouraging native settlers. But we have quoted and said enough to give an inkling of the position of affairs at the river port, which is all we set out to do.

The German Mail of the 21st November was delivered in London on the 20th inst.

Wednesday the 25th instant, Thursday the 26th, and Wednesday and Thursday, January 1st and 2nd, will be kept as public holidays in Hongkong.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that the Police Magistrates' Department shall be excluded from the operation of the Public Holidays Ordinance, 1875, on Thursday, December 26th.

Amendments to the rules regulating the conduct of examinations for certificates of competency in the Mercantile Marine appear in the current *Gazette*.

The American Consulate received the telegram quoted below from the Manila Observatory at 6 p.m. on Friday:—"December 23, 1907 at 5 p.m. Typhoon seems to have been filling up since yesterday."

The rate of postage and insurance payable on parcels addressed to Kiautschou will, from 1st January, be on the former 75 cents to 11 lbs, and on the latter insurance fee for every \$120 or 300 francs, 20 cents. The limit of size of parcels will be 2 ft. by 2 ft. by 2 ft., and the limit rate of insurece is \$5.20.

The offices of the Supreme Court (subj. to the provisions of Section 5 of the Supreme Court (Vacation) Ordinance, 1890), will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Christmas Vacation which commences on the 24th instant and terminates on the 1st January, 1908, except on public holidays when the Offices will be entirely closed.

The following appointments, made by H. E. the Governor, are published in the *Gazette*:—Colonel H. Martin, A.M.S., to be a member of the Sanitary Board in succession to Lt.-Col. J. M. Reid, R.A.M.C., resigned; Messrs. E. C. Wolfe, Inspector of Schools, and S. B. C. Ross, Assistant Land Officer, to be members of the Board of Examiners, vice Messrs. T. C. Smith and A. M. Thomson, resigned; Mr. E. Osborne to be an unofficial member of the Legislative Council in place of Mr. Gorham Stewart.

## WHAT HONGKONG SAYS.

The Manila *Cable news* replies under the above heading:—

Hongkong and Manila are sisters now. The Merchants' Association, the Carnival Association and the press of this working in perfect harmony have produced this feeling. The *Hongkong Daily Press* in an editorial devoted to the boozey spirit now rampant in Manila pays this city tribute which is doubly sweet since it comes from over the sea. But there is just one drop of March in the draught.

The paper asks: What about that eight posse tax on aliens? These of us, British, Japanese, Chinese, or other, who hasten to mingle with the mucky mob at the first Philippine Carnival, are we to be welcome? as friendly guests or taxed as alien intruders? Does Manila want us, or only our money? We are not from Missouri, but we want to know.

That is a good question. The Merchants' Association answered it by a cable to Taft and to three congressmen in Washington to help get that very tax abolished not longer ago than last week. If that iniquitous measure were a Philippine tax it would come off before the sun sets this evening. Everything and anything that would tend to set back or hold back a single visitor from Manila during the Carnival season would be swept from the statute books if power were here to do it. Everybody from the Governor General down to the two on the street is behind this Carnival and everybody including the individuals we have mentioned are rooting for it.

As for wanting our British cousins more than we want eight posse there is no doubt about it in our minds and we think very little in theirs. We want to get them here and show them around the city, we want to tell them of the rich lands in the provinces we want to demonstrate to them that an enterprising Englishman can do better here than he can in Hongkong—in fact we want to proselytize them. The Americans here thoroughly believe that a man can make more money here, make it easier, and make it quicker than anywhere on earth. We also believe that the more men engaged in making money the more money there will be to make.

That is our platform and on its solid pillars the hope of our greatness rests. Now does anybody believe that we would prefer eight posse to an Englishman who is a prospective plaintiff or defendant? Every one who comes to these shores in the guise of respectability is a prospective good citizen, and while we won't kidnap him or us, violence to detain him, we will show him the advantages we can offer, the ease with which he can become a factor in the development of this rich and fair, however, that this should be done at the expense of the deluded investor in back concession lots. I think not.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 25th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th Dec. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th Jan., or they will not be recognized.

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## SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

ACTIVITY AND SIZE OF THE HEART—WASHE IN LIGHTING—A TYPHOID INCUBATOR—SUN-LIGHT DISINFECTION—CULTIVARS AND CHEMISTRIES—RADIUM IN COAL-MINING—THE IRON SUPPLY—DISEASE NEAR THE GROUND.

The size of the heart in different animals is found by Prof. Hesse to vary with the activity of the chemical changes that supply the body with nutrition and remove waste. It is largest in birds, is larger among young warm-blooded animals than in the mature, and is very small in sluggish cold-blooded creatures. Stated in thousandths of the body weight, the highest relative heart weight is 24.1, that of the sandpiper, while among mammals the highest is 14.4 in a dwarf bat. Among fishes the ratio of heart weight of a member of the mackerel family is as high as 2.1, but the smallest relative heart weights known are 0.15 and 0.32, in *Spagobranchus* and *Ophichthys*, two eel-like sand fishes. The relative heart weight of a young Greenland whale was 5.7, equal to that of the camel, man and the mole. The relative heart weight of the blind worm is 1.5, water frog, 1.9, toad, 3.2.

The illuminating engineer is a scientific specialist whose early appearance is predicted by L. Gaster, an English electrician. The production of artificial light is wasteful, and much of the light produced is lost—often one-half or even two-thirds—by improper placing, reflecting and shading. It is asserted that better illumination could be given, with a saving of at least ten per cent of the \$18,000,000 annually spent for lighting in England.

Numerous outbreaks of typhoid fever in the last five years have been traced to a certain New York cook, a healthy woman who is not known to have had the disease, but whose excreta are highly charged with typhoid bacilli.

In a research to determine accurately the effect of sunlight on germs, Dr. R. Wiesner, German bacteriologist, has made some important discoveries. He has found that the disease germs and harmless parasites of man and animals are weakened or killed on exposure to sunlight while open air bacteria are little effected; also that disease germs do not lose their virulence until their dead bodies are entirely destroyed. Ultra-red rays, like the ultra-violet, have especially powerful germicidal effect. The action of sunlight is in direct proportion to its intensity, varies with season and time of day, and is lessened by moisture and cold, but at midday during half of the year it seems to be sufficient to destroy most bacteria in two or three hours. Pneumonia, bronchitis and "cold" in general are probably diminished in summer by the greater power of sunlight diffused in houses, the sun's rays are enormously reduced in intensity, and they lose all disinfective power.

A curious mishap has given us a very delicate test for hydrochloric acid in the atmosphere. In a north of England locality many houses have curtains of the cream color produced by metanil yellow, popularly known as "dolly" cream dye, and to science as the "the sodium salt of meta-amido-benzene sulphonic acid azo-diphenyl-imine." Some of these cream-colored curtains suddenly changed to heliotrope. Investigation showed that an accidental escape of hydrochloric acid from a neighboring alkali plant had discolored the curtains, and the dye became a most useful test.

A new safeguard for collieries is offered by the discovery of Professors E. Lister and Geitel that fire-damp contains six or seven times as much radium emanation as the ordinary air of coal mines. An aluminum foil electroscope quickly shows the difference of electrical conductivity due to the emanation, and the simple apparatus becomes an effective and important means of detecting danger.

Iron being the most abundant metal of the basic rocks and constituting nearly five per cent of the earth's crust, it is difficult to realize how rapidly the supply contained in the ores now smelted is being exhausted. Mr. Bennett H. Brough, in his British Association paper pointed out that every inhabitant of the United States, the United Kingdom and Germany requires about a quarter of a ton of iron yearly. In 1905 the world produced a total of 60,000,000 tons from 120,000,000 tons of ore, the production of Great Britain having been 14,500,703 tons, while that of the United States exceeded 42,500,000 tons, the highest output ever recorded.

The world's known supply of iron ore yet to be mined is estimated at 10,000,000 tons. Of this Germany has 2,000 million tons; France, 1,500 millions; Russia, 1,500 millions; the United States, 1,100 millions; Great Britain, 1,000 millions; Spain, 500 millions; and the rest belongs to the non-producing countries. There are still enormous stores, of unknown extent, in Australia, South Africa and elsewhere. Ere these are exhausted, improved processes will work up poorer ores, and in the electric furnace the black sand and other taeniferous ores can be made to yield an enormous product from sources not now considered.

Tall people may derive much comfort from the novel germ theory of the Dr. M. Friedrich. Of twenty-six victims of cerebro-spinal meningitis that came under his notice all were children and he believes that the germs stirred up from the ground by passing pedestrians—seldom rise above two or three feet, and are thus inhaled by children and others with noses near the ground.

The largest insect yet discovered is supposed to be a grasshopper of the Karoo desert in South Africa. Its spread of wings is ten inches.

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## SAILING VESSELS.

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## SHARE REPORT.

Mours, Erich, Georg &amp; Co. say in their weekly share report dated 21st December 1907:—A little more business had been done during the week, under review, but for investment purposes only, speculation being dormant at present. The sterling demand rate of exchange on London closes at 1s. 9d., while rates on Shanghai are unchanged. Bazaar in London, after falling to 2d., has recovered and is quoted 2d. 9/10d., while Consols stand at £22 10/16. The London Bank rate of discount is still 7 per cent, while the market rate of discount is 6 per cent.

BANK SHARES.—Fair sales of Hongkong and Shanghai have been effected at \$720 to \$75 for old, and at \$710 to \$705 for new shares; at the lower rates there are further buyers. The London rates are 2d. 7/8 and 2d. 7/4 respectively. National are unchanged.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions after sales at \$790 and \$900, are in small demand at \$810. China Traders, as well as North China, are unchanged. Yangtze can be placed at \$140 for old and \$130 for new shares, which is the equivalent of \$145 and \$135 in Shanghai, where Dollar shares are dealt in at the fixed rates of exchange of 7s. 7d. per Dollar. Canton sold at \$242, closing quiet.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong changed hands at \$225 and \$330, closing at the lower, and sellers at the higher figure. China Fires sold at \$84 and have further buyers.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Boats have been sold at \$294, but the market has weakened further to sellers at 3d. 3/4, same settlements shares having to be disposed of. Indo-Chinas are unchanged both in Shanghai and in London. China and Manilla, as well as Douglaston, are unchanged. Star Ferries, old, have buyers at \$21, and the new ones at \$1 1/2. Shell Transports are nominal at 7s. 7d., the London rates being 4d. 9d. sellers. Union Water Boats sold and have buyers at \$10.

SHIPPIER.—China Sagers are firmer and, after sales at \$98 to \$109, can be placed at latter rates. Luzo are unchanged.

MINING SHARES.—No business has come under our notice, but Rubis are easier with sellers at \$81. Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's shares are in request at 7s. 10d.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS &amp;c.—A few small lots of Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have changed hands at \$97 and \$96, at which latter rate there are sellers. Fewicks, and New Whampoa Docks are unchanged. Shanghai Docks are firm at 7s. 7d. Shanghai and Hongkew Wharves sold again at 7s. 20d. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves, after sales at \$85, suddenly fell to sellers at \$83 and \$88 and more shares are on offer at \$89; the new issue has been done at \$85.

LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS.—Humphreys sold and have sellers at \$101. Shanghai Lands sold locally at 7s. 10d. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged and without transactions.

COTTON MILLS.—Shanghai quotes: Ewos Tls. 53 buyers, Internationals Tls. 50 sellers, Lau Kong Mows Tls. 63 sellers, and Speechees Tls. 270 sellers. Hongkong Cottons are for sale at \$10.

SUNDAY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—Bell's Asbestos can be placed at \$7. Green Island Camphor sold at \$11 to \$11 1/2, closing with sellers at the higher figure. Ropes totaled \$25. Other stocks under this heading unchanged and without sales.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borsoes changed hands at \$103. China Providents have sales and further buyers at \$9. Langkats are quoted Tls. 350 ex the final dividend and bonus of together Tls. 10 per share, paid on 16th instant. South China Morning Post Shares sold at \$20. A. S. Watsons have found buyers and can be placed at \$1. Wm. Povels are quiet at \$5. Other stocks under this heading have not been dealt in and are unchanged.

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SHANGHAI	Capt. A. L. Valentini	About 27th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS, DELTA, OF CALL.	Capt. C. L. Daniel	Noon, 28th Dec.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON, AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID AND MAREE LLES.	Capt. H. S. Bradshaw	About 1st Jan.	Freight and Passage.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1907.

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SHANGHAI, HOIHOW and HAIPHONG	PAKHOU, CHIHLI, YUNNAN	On 23rd Dec., NOON.
HONGKONG	TAMING, LIANGCHOW	On 24th Dec., 10 A.M.
MANILA	SHAOHSING	On 24th Dec., 4 P.M.
NINGPO	YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	On 25th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, CEBU and ILOILO	YOKOCHOW, TEAN, KIUKIANG	On 27th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	TAIWAN	On 28th Dec., 4 P.M.
MANILA	TAIWAN	On 31st Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	TAIWAN	On 31st Dec., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, HOBART, LAunceston, STON, NEW ZEALAND, MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, and PERTH	TAIWAN	On 1st Jan., 4 P.M.
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YOKOHAMA and KOBE	CHINGTOW	On 9th Jan., 4 P.M.
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	ZIETEN	About Weds, 1st January.
MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	MANILA	Thursdays, 2nd Jan., at 5 P.M.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Middle of January.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1907.

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TJKINI...	JAPAN	First half of Jan.	JAVA PORTS	Second half of Jan.
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POST OFFICE NOTICE

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS HOLIDAYS

Wednesday and Thursday the 25th and 26th December, 1907, and Wednesday and Thursday, the 1st and 2nd January, 1908 are to be observed as Public Holidays. The Post Office will be open on each day from 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. There will be no delivery of letters and one collection as on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

In the event of the arrival of the English Mail from Europe on either the 25th or 26th inst. the Post Office will remain open one hour for the delivery thereof.

The *Soleas*, with the French mail of the 22nd Nov., left Saigon on Friday, the 20th inst., at 1 p.m., and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 19th Oct.

FOR

	PRE	DATE
Hongkong Maru	Monday, 23rd.	Immediately after arrival.
Cheungchau	Monday, 23rd.	11.00 A.M.
Pakhoi	Monday, 23rd.	11.00 A.M.
Sui Tai	Monday, 23rd.	1.15 P.M.
Carnarvonshire	Monday, 23rd.	3.00 P.M.
Triumphant	Monday, 23rd.	4.00 P.M.
Chihli	Monday, 23rd.	5.00 P.M.
Yenken	Tuesday, 24th.	9.00 A.M.
Docks and Wharves	Printed Matter and Samples	9.00 A.M.
H. & K. Wharf & C.	Registration	9.00 A.M.
H. & W. Dock	(Registration, with 1 to fee of 10 cents, up to 9.30 A.M.)	9.00 A.M.
New Amoy Dock	Letters	10.00 A.M.
Shanghai Dock	24th, 10.00 A.M.	10.30 A.M.
Lau Kung Mow	Registration	Kowloon B.O. 9.00 A.M.
Sophyase	Letters	11.00 A.M.
Dairy Farm	Printed Matter and Samples	10.00 A.M.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	Registration	10.00 A.M.
Green Island Cement	Letters	10.00 A.M.
Hongkong & C. Gas	Registration	10.00 A.M.
Hongkong Electric	Letters	10.00 A.M.
Hongkong Hotel Co.	Registration	10.00 A.M.
Hongkong Ice Co.	Letters	10.00 A.M.
Hongkong Docks Co.	Registration	10.00 A.M.
Nikko Maru	Printed Matter and Samples	10.00 A.M.
Tourane	Registration	10.00 A.M.
Sui Tai	Letters	11.00 A.M.
Iyo Maru	24th, 1.15 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Taming	24th, 3.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Liaochow	24th, 3.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Shaoxing	24th, 5.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Hokou Maru	24th, 5.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Kanagawa Maru	24th, 5.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Sachsen	24th, 5.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Sui Tai	Thursday, 26th, 1.15 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Bellorophon	Friday, 27th, 11.00 A.M.	11.00 A.M.
Yawata Maru	Friday, 27th, 11.00 A.M.	11.00 A.M.
Sui Tai	Friday, 27th, 1.15 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Mausang	Friday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.
Yusang	Friday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.	11.00 A.M.

XMAS NOVELIEST.

NOW ON SHOW.

TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS,  
CADBURY'S CHOCOLATES (ASSORTED),  
PASCALL'S CONFECTIONERY OF  
DIFFERENT VARIETIES.

FRENCH CRYSTALIZED FRUITS.

TOYS AND DOLL'S

H. RUTTONJEE & SON.

WINE AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,

No. 5, D'AGUILAR STREET, HONGKONG.

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VESTMENT EXHIBITED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. *Soleas* with the next French Mail, left Saigon on 20th inst. at 1 p.m. for this port, and is expected here to-day.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China str. *Foch* from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst. p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The Indo-China str. *Laisang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 18th inst., and may be expected here on or about 29th inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Indo-China str. *Foch* from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst. p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The Indo-China str. *Laisang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 18th inst., and may be expected here on or about 29th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. str. *Perito* sailed from Tacoma on the 16th inst. for Hongkong via Japan ports, and is due to arrive in Hongkong on 18th prox.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. *Montreal* left Vancouver on Friday, the 13th inst. for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

THE MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The str. *Carnarvonshire* left Singapore on Saturday, the 14th inst. at 6 p.m., and is due here to-day at daylight.

The H.A.L. str. *Sagoya* left Shanghai on the 20th inst. a.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The H.A.L. str. *Hobson* left Singapore on 17th inst. at 6 a.m., and may be expected here to-day p.m.

The H.A.L. str. *C. Ferdinand* left Singapore on 17th inst. at 8 a.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The C.N. Co. str. *Shantung* left Java on the 12th inst., and is due here to-day.

The Danish str. *Siam* left Singapore on the afternoon of the 11th inst., and may be expected here to-day.

The str. *Katharine Park* from South American Ports there left Kobe for this port on the 17th inst., and is expected to arrive here to-day.

The P. & O. str. *Sunda* left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst. at 7 a.m.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Dec 23rd to 29th, 1907.

HIGH WATER.

LOW WATER.

Days of the Week.

Month.

Height.

Height.

Mon. 29

1. 10. 15. 20. 25. 30. 35.

Tues. 30

2. 11. 16. 21. 26. 31. 36.

Wed. 31

3. 12. 17. 22. 27. 32. 37.

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